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Prosecutor announces trainings to prevent crime in rental housing

Free trainings offered for all rental housing owners and personnel in Marion County

(Indianapolis, Ind.) The Marion County Prosecutor's Office has announced the 2017 schedule of free crime prevention and resident retention strategy seminars for rental housing owners and personnel. The SafeRental training seminars are designed to assist in keeping the properties safe and free of illegal activity. Each seminar is an eight-hour course led by a deputy prosecutor with the Marion County Prosecutor's Community Prosecution Division and features presentations by subject experts. Topics include applicant screening, rental agreements, warning signs of drug and gang activity, and property and ground maintenance tips to reduce and prevent crime.

"With nearly half of all Marion County residents living in rental properties, property owners and apartment community staff have a tremendous impact on the quality of life in our city," Marion County Prosecutor Terry Curry stated. "Our office provides free educational seminars to rental property owners and staff to assist them in keeping properties free of illegal activity and to help provide safer homes for residents."

Seminars are tailored to reach owners of single family or small, multi-family properties and personnel of apartment communities.

What: SafeRental crime prevention trainings

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

For personnel of apartment communities:

March 15, 2017

Westview Healthplex

3660 Guion Rd, Indianapolis ([map](#))

June 14, 2017

Marion County Health Department

4012 N. Rural Street, Indianapolis ([map](#))

For owners and managers of all other residential rental properties:

April 20, 2017

University Heights Excel Center

3919 Madison Ave., Indianapolis ([map](#))

July 19, 2017

Warren Township Government Center

501 North Post Road, Indianapolis ([map](#))

For owners and personnel of all residential rental properties:

October 20, 2017

Center Township Government Center

300 E. Fall Creek Pkwy. N. Dr. #130, Indianapolis ([map](#))

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A follow-up training will be offered this year for those individuals who have completed the SafeRental training (previously known as Landlord Training) course in the past five years. Topics covered in this “SafeRental 201” training include mental health services, updates from the Marion County Health Department, and the Landlord Registry.

For anyone who has completed a training session in the last five years:

SafeRental 201 training
May 3, 2017
Beech Grove Community Center
5245 Hornet Ave., Beech Grove ([map](#))

SafeRental crime prevention trainings are free and open to property owners and personnel of Marion County residential rental properties, but registration is required. All attendees will receive a training certificate upon completion of the training. A registration form and more information are available at www.Indy.gov/MCPO.

The Marion County Prosecutor’s Office Community Prosecution Division offers crime prevention programming free of charge to neighborhood organizations, faith-based organizations, and community groups. In addition to property crime prevention training, presentations include burglary prevention, fraud prevention, and internet safety for children and teens. Free crime prevention property audits are also available for rental properties and apartment communities. To learn more, schedule a presentation, or request a property audit, please contact mcpo@indy.gov.